

Effective January 6, 2003, all permit applicants for new single-family residential building permits must include the name of the Certified Responsible Land Disturber (CRLD) certified by the State Department of Conservation Resources (DCR). If you have not received certification by that date, **any building permits submitted will be placed on hold by the Environmental Engineering Department.** Environmental Engineering will release the permit when you have provided evidence to Environmental Engineering that certification has been provided by DCR.

During the 2001 General Assembly session, the State Code was amended and now requires identification of a qualified CRLD for all construction. This person is responsible for ensuring that the land-disturbing activity is in compliance with the erosion and sediment control measures as shown on the sketch plat approved by Environmental Engineering prior to clearing of any home site or other land disturbance activity.

To comply with State Code, Environmental Engineering will require, in conjunction with Building Inspection, the name of the CRLD at the time of application for the building permit. To obtain CRLD certification, follow the instructions on the DCR website, [www.dcr.state.va.us/sw/e&s.htm](http://www.dcr.state.va.us/sw/e&s.htm) (see enclosure). It includes a short presentation on proper erosion control and an online exam. Prior to certification issuance, you will be required to pay DCR a \$75 application fee (major credit cards are accepted via the website) and pass the exam.

If you have any questions, please contact any Environmental Engineering inspector at 748-1035.